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*Case 109 not plague.*SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., *November 27, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

Case 109, Wong Kin, is not plague. Organism probably colon.

BLUE.

Transactions on account of yellow fever at Laredo and San Antonio.

EAGLE PASS.

NOVEMBER 25, 1903.

HUME, *Eagle Pass, Tex.:*

Authorized to visit Monclova, as requested.

WYMAN.

EAGLE PASS, TEX., *November 26, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

Went to Monclova and Reata yesterday; returned last night. At old town Monclova there was 1 death on 17th; on 18th 1 death between Monclova proper and station; at station 1 death on 17th. All patients with yellow fever; all had black vomit. Saw 2 convalescent; marked cases; 1 suspicious at station and 1 grave case Monclova. Monclova case is probably dead now. Monclova is filthy; station comparatively clean. On 19th and 20th good freeze in Monclova. Examined all houses infected, and water barrels. No *stegomyia* nor larvæ could be found. All cases are isolated, and at request of general manager Mexican International and Federal Health Officer Canty I gave them 25 mosquito bars to be used on cases, they having none and were unable to procure same elsewhere. At Reata examined detention camp where refugees from Monterey are held. Owing to altitude and cold weather no *stegomyia* nor larvæ found. One grave case yellow fever in camp; will die. Consider no necessity for quarantine against Monclova or Reata. No new case since freeze, and none will develop. Covered 500 miles on special train furnished for the purpose by General Manager Martin.

HUME.

LAREDO.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 24, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

Cases developed since last report, 4; deaths, none; 90 houses disinfected, with 310 rooms; 328 containers, 22 tanks, 16 wells, 90 excavations, and 16 premises oiled, 114 premises inspected; 12 barrels crude oil sprinkled on streets and vacant lots covering 54 blocks. Sprinkling of streets and vacant lots will be discontinued after to-day. Thought unnecessary, and supply of crude oil exhausted. Maximum temperature, 86°; minimum, 50°. Minera reports 2 new cases and Cannel 3. Nothing new New Laredo. Held conference to-day with Tabor and citizen committee. Tabor considers it impracticable to raise quarantine against Laredo at once, believing that southern counties would immediately quarantine Laredo and make matters worse than they are now. I agree in this, while I do not think there is danger of infection. Tabor, however, will modify quarantine restrictions. Mail disinfection discontinued. Shuttle train at Sanchez dis-

continued. No disinfection of cars required. Cars to be closed at infected points. Freight traffic to Corpus Christi permitted after disinfection. Steps to be taken to-morrow to practically raise quarantine against New Laredo. It is hoped soon to remove all quarantine restrictions.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 25, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

Cases developed since last report, 1; deaths reported to-day, 1; 94 houses, with 325 rooms, disinfected; 1,083 containers, 44 excavations, 22 wells, 21 tanks, and 96 premises oiled, and 323 premises inspected. Maximum temperature, 74°; minimum, 50°. Cannel reports 1 new case. No new reports from New Laredo or Minera. Careful search for *stegomyia* larvæ during last three days by Goldberger and Frick resulted in obtaining only about 50 specimens. This is very gratifying, as showing propagation practically stopped. Held conference with Tabor and with Federal Health Officer Garcia of New Laredo relative to raising quarantine or modifying restrictions between two Laredos. Nothing determined, as proposition had to be submitted to Liceaga. May hear from him to-morrow.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 26, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

New cases to-day, none; deaths, 1; 40 houses disinfected, with 154 rooms; 819 containers, 13 excavations, 19 wells, 52 premises, and 8 tanks oiled; 231 premises inspected, covering 62 city blocks. One screening crew discharged to-day. Maximum temperature, 71°; minimum, 45°. Nothing from New Laredo. No report from Cannel or Minera. Have received private advices that there has been and there is yellow fever in Monclova, 148 miles south of Porfirio Diaz, but that weather is cold and no danger of spread apprehended. Nothing received from Liceaga relative to raising quarantine between two Laredos. Tabor withdrawing his men and will have no one here by December 1 except the regular local State health officer, McKnight.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 27, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

Tabor has wired governor as follows: "No cases yesterday. Temperature this morning, 31°. Can raise quarantine in few days." I would reiterate recommendations in my telegram of November 23 relative to conditions in Laredo.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 27, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

No cases and no deaths to-day; 84 houses with 288 rooms disinfected; 1,206 containers, 20 excavations, 18 tanks, 53 premises, and 36 wells oiled, and 253 premises inspected. Maximum temperature, 61°; minimum, 31°. Hard frost this morning. Nothing new at New Laredo or Cannel. No report from Minera. Tabor expects to raise State quarantine against Laredo Monday.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 28, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

No new cases to-day. Deaths 1; 70 houses disinfected, with 253 rooms; 1,037 containers, 49 tanks, 46 wells, 13 excavations, and 109 premises oiled; 211 premises inspected. Maximum temperature 81°, minimum 33°. Nothing new at New Laredo or Cannel. Minera reports 1 death; no new cases. Tabor raised quarantine against New Laredo to-day. New Laredo still maintains a quarantine against Monterey. State quarantine against Laredo will probably be raised Monday. I will turn property over to Hamilton Monday and reduce force for post epidemic work.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 29, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

No cases or deaths reported to-day; 40 houses disinfected, with 185 rooms; 454 containers, 12 wells, 5 tanks, 7 excavations, and 41 premises oiled; 153 premises inspected. Maximum temperature 75°, minimum 40°. Nothing new from New Laredo. No report from Cannel or Minera.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 30, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington.*

Replying to telegram relative to post-epidemic disinfection, would state that it is proposed to continue systematic disinfection of houses until every house in the city is disinfected, and to continue the oiling of containers at the same time, with the object of killing mosquitoes and preventing their propagation. Nearly one-half of the city has been disinfected. In addition to Frick propose to retain Sauvignet and about 40 laborers, divided into 4 oiling crews and 2 disinfecting crews. With this force I estimate that the work can be done in 30 days. The object of this post-epidemic disinfection is to prevent the disease from continuing throughout the winter and appearing again in epidemic form next summer. The work done has confined the number of cases during the present epidemic to 1,044, so that there still remains a large nonimmune population furnishing material for spread under favorable circumstances. If the winter should be severe, this post-epidemic work might not be necessary, but the severity of the weather here is very uncertain.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 30, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

One old case and 1 death reported to-day: 76 houses, with 272 rooms, disinfected; 1,023 containers, 17 tanks, 27 wells, 11 excavations, 55 premises oiled; and 235 premises inspected. Maximum temperature 73°, minimum 47°. No new cases at New Laredo, Minera, or Cannel. All employees discharged to-day except those necessary for post-epidemic work as outlined in previous telegram of this date in case such is approved.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *November 30, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

Governor's proclamation raising State quarantine against Laredo goes into effect at noon to-day. Transferred property to Hamilton this morning. Tabor and I held conference with city council, and got their promise, willingly given, to aid and carry into effect all measures of postepidemic work.

GUITERAS.

WASHINGTON, *December 1, 1903.*

GUITERAS, *Laredo, Tex.:*

Authorized to retain Walerius few days to close official business. Funds will be forwarded Goodman. Instruct him to pay no pay rolls or bills incurred after November 30. You are authorized to rejoin your station after affairs are in shape and Service work in Laredo turned over to Frick. Wire departure and arrival.

WYMAN.

WASHINGTON, *December 1, 1903.*

FRICK, *Laredo, Tex.:*

Through Surgeon Guiteras, you are hereby directed to assume charge of Service work in Laredo upon departure of Surgeon Guiteras. When practicable, expenditures should be previously approved by Bureau, and in all cases kept within lowest possible limit.

WYMAN.

LAREDO, TEX., *December 1, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

Referring to Bureau telegram December 1, have instructed Goodman to pay no pay rolls or bills after November 30. Everything will be in shape and turned over to Frick to-morrow. A good start was made to-day in disinfection with reduced forces as shown by daily report. Will leave for Cairo December 3. Walerius goes at same time.

GUITERAS.

LAREDO, TEX., *December 1, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

No cases to-day, 1 death; 65 houses disinfected, with 199 rooms; 821 containers, 25 wells, 14 tanks, 12 excavations, and 61 premises oiled, and 342 premises inspected. Maximum temperature, 72°; minimum, 43°. Nothing reported from New Laredo, Minera, or Cannel.

GUITERAS.

SAN ANTONIO.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 24, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

Four cases; 1 death to-day. Temperature, 52° and 74°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 25, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington:*

No case; 1 death to-day. Temperature, 54° and 78°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 26, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

No case; 1 death to-day. Temperature, 60° and 38°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 27, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

One case in eighth day; 1 death to-day. Temperature, 34° and 66°. To date no case discovered which was infected since the freeze of 18th and 19th.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 28, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

No case; 1 death to-day. Temperature, 34° and 66°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 29, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

No case; no deaths to-day. Temperature, 68° and 40°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *November 30, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington.*

No case, no death to-day. Temperatures 43° and 61°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *December 1, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington.*

No case no death to-day. Temperature 44° and 62°.

RICHARDSON.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., *December 1, 1903.*WYMAN, *Washington:*

Health board discontinued services medical inspector as no longer necessary. Disinfection Mexican quarters and filling wells and pools to continue throughout winter. I request instructions.

RICHARDSON.

Quarantine at Galveston against San Antonio raised.

Temporary Acting Assistant Surgeon Breath reports that the Galveston quarantine against San Antonio, Tex., was raised at noon November 20.

Report of inspection at Eagle Pass, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports as follows, week ended November 20:

Persons inspected	179
Persons held	1
Pullman cars fumigated	7